



**18th October  
2020**

**29th Sunday  
Ordinary Time  
Year A**



## **“The Spire”**

**All Saints' Parish**

**Portland - Heywood - Dartmoor**

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**Parish Secretary: Antonella Webbstock  
Wednesday & Thursday 9.00am till 3.00pm**

*All Saints Parish is committed to Child Safety - our Child Safety Policy and Code of Conduct are on display on the Parish website and noticeboard in the Tower Entrance of the Church.*

*All Saints Parish Portland acknowledges the Traditional Owners and Custodians of the land on which our Parish Community meets, the Gunditjmarra people. We pay our respects to their Elders past and present and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation and constitutional acknowledgement of first peoples*

### **Recent Deaths:**

Sr Caroline Deutscher IBVM

### **Anniversaries:**

Asuncion Ladera, Eric Doherty, Peg Knutton, John Welfare, Harold Hoskins, Des Walsh, Lorraine Riordan, Antonia Andes, Ruby Potter, Francis Almyer Monaghan

### **Prayer Requests:**

Bruno Cancian, Margaret Couttie, Noela Clifford, Les Hildebrand, Nicky Schultz, Claire Jesser, Lea-anne Bourke, Rudy Legray, Michelle Mutch,

*If you have any prayer requests please contact Antonella at the Parish Office; for privacy reasons only Next of Kin may ask for names to be added: Thank you*

Baptisms by appointment with Fr. Gregory

Marriages by appointment with Fr Gregory Tait.

Sacrament of Penance By Appointment with Fr Gregory

**Please note that the Parish Office remains closed to visitors at this stage. You are able to contact us either by phone or email.**

**Fr Greg will be on leave from October the 5th until the 30th. When he returns we will continue to record Mass on the weekend, for YouTube viewing.**

The generosity of God and human self-interest are at odds in the parable of the marriage feast: a free invitation is answered with outrageous and insulting refusals. This is an extension of last week's idea that the kingdom will be taken from those who are not worthy. By contrast, the ability to accept God's open-handed invitation with reciprocal generosity is shown to be a worthy attribute.

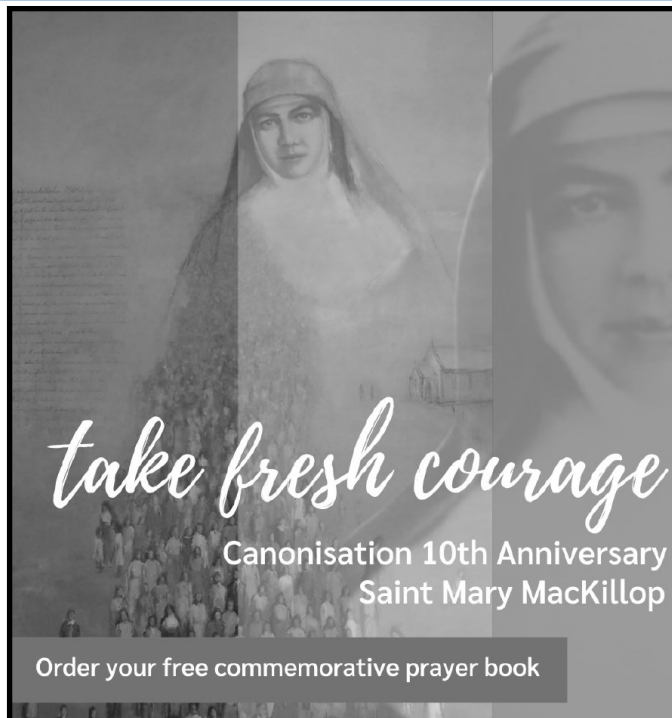


## **Links to Mass online in the diocese:**

**St Patrick's Cathedral Parish, Ballarat:** Mass live streamed daily from SJOG at 11.30am and can be viewed [here](#) or on [facebook](#).

**St Mary Mackillop Parish, Western Border:** Mass celebrated on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Sundays can be viewed [here](#). Follow their [facebook](#) page for updates.

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## To celebrate the 10th Anniversary of the canonisation of Saint Mary MacKillop

We invite you to order your free copy of *Encountering St Mary MacKillop in Prayer*

The Sisters of Saint Joseph have created a commemorative prayer booklet to inspire us all to **"take fresh courage..."** as Mary did so often.

These prayers share details of her personal journey, highlighting Mary's values and spirit, and offering prayers and blessings for our modern world.

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 or call us on Ph: 02 8912 2777

MARY MACKILLOP  
*today*

## October 18 is Mission Sunday - The joy of the Lord is our Strength! Nehemiah 8:10

World Mission Sunday will be celebrated on October 18 - a special day, called by Pope Francis, when we are called to pray and offer material support to the work of mission around the world. This year we are invited to partner with the Church in Cambodia, which is reaching out to those who have been affected by disability and giving them hope and practical support to live a fulfilling life. You can support by placing your donation in the appeal envelopes, online at [www.catholicmission.org.au/Cambodia](http://www.catholicmission.org.au/Cambodia) or by texting GIVE to 0488 854 436. Thank you for your prayerful support and generosity.

## Trees Without Masks

Simple prayers in the time of a virus  
 - Michael McGirr



## THE ORANGE TREE

God of good neighbours,  
 We thank you for the gardener down the street  
 Who is so proud of his oranges.  
 Mary Magdalene is famous for mistaking Jesus for a gardener.  
 In a way, it was a compliment. Gardeners love creation!  
 They respect even the smallest seedling.  
 St Teresa of Avila said that God was like a gardener  
 And our lives are God's garden.  
 God plants all sorts of things in them.  
 May we also be gardeners of our own lives  
 Caring for ourselves and caring for others  
 In wonder and gratitude.  
 Amen.

## Madonna magazine – a gift of spiritual sustenance that lasts a whole year

Madonna magazine, published by Jesuit Communications, has accompanied Australians in their daily prayer and spiritual growth for more than 120 years. With daily prayers, deep reflections, faith-focused articles and more recently online retreats – it is an ideal spiritual companion, particularly now when we may not be able to freely gather in person with our faith and spirituality communities.

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### CDF Pay for Parishes

Payments can be made by using the below link.

<https://bit.ly/CDFpayPortland>

For all who would normally give weekly with cash in your envelopes, we ask if possible, to do the following:

- Organise EFT contributions through your personal online banking
- Go directly to National Australia Bank (NAB) 64 Percy Street Portland and request that they deposit into the Parish and/or Presbytery accounts.

Details are below. **Please make sure that your name and envelope number are recorded.**

### Planned Giving for Parish Account

Given last week, inc. EFT: \$ 495.00

**Pledged Amount \$62,400**

Total YTD 2020/21: \$ 18,276

Total YTD 2019/20: \$ 19,446

Direct deposit payments for planned giving and donations can be made electronically. Details are as follows:

**Account Name:** Portland Catholic Church

**BSB:** 083 532

**Account No.** 5159 81661

### Presbytery Account

Priest support: inc. EFT \$ 390.00

Direct deposit payments for the presbytery account can be made electronically. Details are as follows:

**Account Name:** All Saints Presbytery Portland

**BSB:** 083 526

**Account No.** 24476 6002